Amendment No. 1 to HB3514

<u>Casada</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 3263*

House Bill No. 3514

by deleting in Section 68-11-205(f)(1) of SECTION 1 the language "diagnosing and treating patients" and by substituting instead the language "diagnosing, referring or treating patients".

AND FURTHER AMEND in Section 68-11-205(f)(1)(B) of SECTION 1 by deleting the language "diagnostic or treatment" and by substituting instead the language "diagnostic, referral or treatment".

AND FURTHER AMEND in Section 68-11-205(f)(3) of SECTION 1 by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

(D) "Referral" or "referring" means a decision by the employed physician to send a patient to another practitioner or specialty program for consultation, service or procedures that the employed physician cannot provide. Referral shall not include sending a patient for consultation, service or procedures that are available within the facility, unless, in the medical judgment of the employed physician, the patient would be better served by a practitioner or specialty program not employed by or contracted to the employing entity.